

U.S. VETERANS HOSPITAL, JEFFERSON BARRACKS, MODULAR  
BUILDINGS

(Veterans Administration Facility, Jefferson Barracks, Building Nos.  
3T, 4T, 51T, 53T & 60T)

(Veterans Administration Hospital, Jefferson Barracks)

(Department of Veterans Affairs Medical Center, Jefferson Barracks  
Division)

VA Medical Center, Jefferson Barracks Division

1 Jefferson Barracks Drive

Saint Louis

Independent City

Missouri

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**Location:** Buildings 3T, 4T, 51T, 53T, and 60T, VA Medical Center,  
1 Jefferson Barracks Drive, St. Louis, Missouri  
USGS Quadrangle Oakville, Missouri  
UTM Coordinates    3T     16     7258900 E     9965975 N  
                             4T     16     7258254 E     9965808 N  
                             51T    16     7258016 E     9965333 N  
                             53T    16     7257688 E     9964882 N  
                             60T    16     7257883 E     9965255 N

**Date of Construction:** 2008

**Designer:** Unknown

**Contractor:** Unknown

**Present Owner:** U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs (VA)

**Present Use:** Administrative Facilities

**Significance:** These five modular buildings are small one-story flat-roof synthetic stucco-clad modular facilities that were added to the St. Louis VA Medical Center, Jefferson Barracks Division, in 2008, to provide additional administrative space for several different facilities within the medical center.

**Project Information:** This project was sponsored and funded by the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs as mitigation for the demolition of buildings at the St. Louis VA Medical Center, Jefferson Barracks Division, a property that has been determined eligible for the National Register of Historic Places via consensus determination of eligibility between the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs and the Missouri Department of Natural Resources State Historic Preservation Office.

**Description:**

These modular buildings are a group of five small administrative units that were added to the St. Louis VA Medical Center, Jefferson Barracks, in 2008 to provide more space. The five buildings are scattered across the medical center campus. Each of the modular buildings is one story tall, and all of the buildings feature synthetic stucco exteriors, metal windows, glass and metal doors, and flat roofs. Most of the modular buildings are on sloped sites, so many of them have a high poured-concrete base that is fully visible at one end of the building while the other end is mostly below grade. On most of the units, the bare concrete of this base is exposed, but one facility, the Medical Records Processing Modular (Building 4T), has synthetic stucco cladding on its base.

The modular buildings are dispersed throughout the medical center campus. The Domiciliary Modular (Building 3T) is located south of the former Nurses' Quarters (Building 3). The façade of the Domiciliary Modular faces east toward a large asphalt parking lot. The Medical Records Processing Modular (Building 4T) is on the east side of the former Attendants' Quarters (Building 4), and its facade is on the east side. The Neuropsychology Modular (Building 51T) is located east of Building 51, with its facade facing north. The Medical Rehabilitation Modular (Building 53T) sits on the east side of the former Neuropsychiatric Disturbed Building (Building 53), and the facade of the modular building is on its north side. The Food, Nutrition, and Dietetics Modular (Building 60T), is located near the northeast corner of the Kitchen (Building 60), with the facade of the modular building facing north.<sup>1</sup>

**History:**

These five modular buildings were built in 2008 as a low-cost way to add more administrative space at the St. Louis VA Medical Center, Jefferson Barracks Division, without constructing major new buildings. The modular buildings are small one-story trailer-like facilities with flat roofs and, in most cases, sit on a raised base due to the sloping topography of the VA Medical Center campus. The buildings are constructed next to the permanent buildings that they are intended to augment.

**Sources:**

U.S. Veterans Administration. List of facilities at St. Louis VA Hospital, Jefferson Barracks Division. 2009. On file at St. Louis VA Medical Center, Jefferson Barracks Division, Building 3T.

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<sup>1</sup> U.S. Veterans Administration, List of facilities at St. Louis VA Hospital, Jefferson Barracks Division, on file at St. Louis VA Medical Center, Jefferson Barracks Division, Building 3T.

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